

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph which begins on line 21 of page 4 with the following amended paragraph:

AI Likewise, the latter mentioned messages SCI (Send Charging Information) and AC (Apply Charging), the message IDP (Initial Detection Point), the connection message CON (Connect) and the charge message FCI (Furnish Charging Information) are messages or, respectively, operations that are defined in the framework of what is referred to as intelligent network application protocol (INAP). These are described, for example, in the ~~Letters-Patent~~ printed publication Intelligent Network (IN); Intelligent Network Capability Set 1 (CSI); Core Intelligent Network Application Protocol (INAP); Part 1: Protocol specification, No. ETS 300374-1 (September, 1994) of the European Standards Institute ETSI.

Please replace the paragraph which begins on line 1 of page 5 with the following amended paragraph:

A2 On the basis of the connection message CON, the service switching point SSP sets up the telecommunication connection between the telecommunication line unit 1 and the target telecommunication line unit 2 via a further switching center 9. On the basis of the charge message FCI, bits of information about the beginning and type of the telecommunication connection are deposited in the service switching point SSP in a charge receipt 10 (what is referred to as a charge ticket), these bits of information being necessary for filling charges. After the telecommunication connection has been completed, the bits of information about the end of the telecommunication connection are deposited in the charge receipt 10 ~~beyond the end of this telecommunication connection~~ as well, the charge receipt 10 is subsequently transmitted to a charge unit 11 of the telecommunication network.